Appointment of Velans.

437. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state, with reference to question No. 219 of the current year Legislative Session:—

(a) how many Velan boys and girls are studying in (1) Primary, (2) Lower Secondary, and (3) Upper Secondary classes in the State;

(b) what is the reason for not appointing any one belonging to this caste in Government service;

(c) the names of the officers who received applications from those belonging to this caste for appointments in Government service in the last 15 months;

(d) how have these applications been disposed of?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) The information called for is not yet ready.

(b) Members of this caste are appointed in Government service. Vide answer to question No. 373 (b).

(c) Vide answer to question No. 373 (c). The Trichur District Judge also received an application from a member of this caste.

(d) Vide answer to question No. 373 (c). The application received by the Trichur District Judge was registered.

438. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Diwan has received a petition dated 12th Makaram 1105 from one Mr. Kuttappan belonging to Velan community; and if so,

(b) whether it is mentioned therein the names of the various Heads of Departments to whom he had applied for post;

(c) who are those Heads of Departments and on what date or dates he applied to them;

(d) what are the orders passed by the Heads of Departments on the applications received from him;

(e) whether he has requested in his petition to the Diwan to give him any post in any Department;

(f) what is the reply sent to him by the Diwan;

(g) how many from his community are now employed in Government service?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Excise Superintendent on 6th Vrischigam 1105.
Diwan Peishkar on 17th Vrischigam 1105.
Registration Superintendent on 5th Meenam 1105.
Commissioner of Police on 5th Dhanu 1105.

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District Judge on 9th Edavam 1104.

(d) Vide answer to question No. 373 (c).

(e) Yes.

(f) The petition was forwarded to the Commissioner of Police for disposal.

(g) Vide answer to question No. 373 (b).

Appointment of Trained Candidates.

439. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—With reference to question No. 247 of the current year Legislative Session, will the Government be pleased to furnish the information called for in sub-divisions (b) and (c) thereof, and to state what is the number of those who have been appointed in Government service in the last two years before undergoing training?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—(b) 22.

(c) 14 have been appointed in Sirkar Schools. 15 privately trained hands are also reported to have been entertained in aided schools.

The information wanted in the concluding part of the question is not ready.

Canal from Cannoly Canal to Vettikadavu.

440. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform with reference to question No. 163 of the current year's Legislative Session:—

(a) whether the investigation referred to is over;

(b) whether the Madras Government have been addressed in the matter, as promised at the last Budget Session; and if so, when was the above communication sent and whether any reply to it has been received?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) The Chief Engineer has submitted a report.

(b) Yes. On 24th April 1930. No reply has been received and it is not time to expect a reply.

Petition of R. Govinda Menon.

441. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the petition dated 19th Karkadagam 1104 from Mr. R. Govinda Menon, Nemmara, has been received by His Highness or the Diwan; and if so,

(b) whether a copy of it will be placed on the Table;

(c) whether in the course of it, it is stated that 'when I was about to submit my memorial regarding the confiscation of my school to His Excellency the Viceroy, the Diwan threatened me by prosecution and immediate arrest;

(d) whether the Diwan has done so; and if so, what is the reason for doing so?

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